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Application of: Rastelli and Guo

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2004, and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time for one month, up to and including January 10, 2005 (January 9, 2005 is a Sunday), with the required fee.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.